

ELECTED OFFICERS

Chamber of Commerce Holds Its Annual Meeting.

OLD BOARD GETS BILLETS

Senator Fulton Gets an Appropriation for the Quarantine Station—Report From President Welch on General Topics.

There was a fair gathering of the members of the chamber of commerce last night to hear the reading of the annual reports, and to elect officers for this year.

The report of President James W. Welch was a very interesting document and was well received by the members. In part, it was as follows:

Exhibits.

"So far there has been nothing done toward making an exhibit, or a thorough exploitation of our resources at the Lewis and Clark fair. I hold that no county in this state can show greater resources than Clatsop county, and there should be a full and extensive one made."

The Bar.

The bar dredge Chinook has done much work since my last report, and the bar has been deepened to some extent, but the desired 40-foot channel has not been obtained. We look for better results for the coming year's dredging."

Public Buildings.

The court house and city hall are well under construction and will be occupied the latter part of this year but Astoria's greatest public need today is a first class commercial hotel, and, in my judgment, this body should use every endeavor to have one built. Extensive reference was made to the needs of the fishing industry, and the recommendation made that everything possible be done for the conservation of the salmon, and for the maintenance of a closed season.

The reports of Treasurer G. W. Lounsbury and Secretary Chas. Higgins showed a satisfactory financial condition, and a good administration of those offices.

Fulton on Quarantine.

The following self-explanatory letter from Senator Fulton was read and placed on file.

"Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.

"Mr. Jas. W. Welch, President Astoria Chamber of Commerce, Astoria, Ore.

"Dear Sir—Again referring to the matter of the Columbia river quarantine station, I have had another conference with the surgeon general. He will recommend an appropriation of \$19,500, which with \$5,500, the amount remaining on hand, he thinks will make all the improvements they can reasonably expect an appropriation for at the present time. This \$19,500 will be applied to the main gangway bulkhead, grating detention quarters and telephone line.

"It is his opinion it would be useless to attempt to get the committee to allow a greater sum, and for that amount he will make an earnest fight, and I, of course, will do all I can to assist. Sincerely yours.

"C. W. FULTON."

Officers Elected.

The last business of the evening was the election of officers for the succeeding year. There was no change, except the election of C. G. Palmberg, as vice president. Those chosen were President, James Welch; vice president, C. G. Palmberg; secretary, Charles Higgins; treasurer, G. W. Lounsbury. All of the elections were made unanimously on but one nomination.

Several minor topics came up for discussion, but no definite action was taken except in the matter of adoption of a resolution asked for by the Cottage Grove Commercial Club asking for legislation reducing the lumber rate to Missouri river common points, and the lessening of the local freight rates on the Harriman lines.

AT FISHERS'.

The great convulsing, care-killing, musical farce comedy, "Rudolph and Adolph," will be the attraction at Fishers' opera house Thursday evening. From the Oregonian of yesterday we clip the following regarding the company:

Say: "Rudolph and Adolph," two capacity houses at the Empire yesterday afternoon and evening were "much obliged to meet you," for you certainly afforded them laughs and skits of humor that will be remembered after you have taken your band of funmakers away. Harry West and Harry M. Pierce, even if they are billed as horse doctor and ladies' tailor, are a pair of happy comedians that are well worth spending a couple of hours with.

The mirth and the mix-ups came with the twinkling appearance of the two kenspiels (Lillian Dix), bitter and 40 and Mrs. Dinkenspiels (Dorothy Scott)

sweet and 20, who helped to make things lively. There was also the gasman, the expressman, the janitor and the cook, and the soubrette (Anne Gilbert), looking for experience, which she found.

One of the clever things done by Messrs. West and Price was the shaving scene. The pair had made up their minds that they looked too much alike so, to avoid further confusion, they decided to shave. Both thought of the same scheme and both shaved, so the confusion and entanglements were on just as merrily. Seat sale opens tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at Griffin's book store.

PERSONAL MENTION.

S. E. Harris of Casey is in the city. A. J. Knightly of Nehalem is in the city.

Will Madison was in Portland yesterday.

W. J. Roehmer of Nehalem is in the city.

Hon. John H. Smith is in Portland on business.

Jos. Heckard of Chadwell was in the city yesterday.

R. E. Bradbury of Seaside was in the city yesterday.

Rev. L. D. Mahone is spending a few days at Seaside.

Fish Warden Van Dusen is in Portland on business.

N. P. Sorensen returned to Portland yesterday morning.

George C. Flanders of Portland is in the city on business.

Sig. Lipman of San Francisco is registered at the Occident.

A. Carlsen and wife of LaGrande are visiting friends in Astoria.

Mrs. Chas. Higgins returned from a visit to Portland last night.

Ono Crane of Tillamook is in the city for a few days on business.

W. F. McGregor was a passenger to Portland yesterday morning.

M. Gorman of Cathlamet visited friends in Astoria yesterday.

E. Farris of Bellingham Bay is in the city on a business trip.

Dr. Baylis H. Earle went to Portland yesterday morning on business.

John Nordstrom went to Portland yesterday morning on business.

Chas. Wright, Jr., of the Occident returned from Portland last night.

John E. Kesler of Forest Grove registered at the Occident yesterday.

Dr. Nellie Vernon was a passenger from Portland on last night's train.

C. A. Watson of San Francisco arrived in Astoria yesterday on business.

Judge C. J. Trenchard left last night for Salem. He will return the last of the week.

Admiral A. N. Smith, representing Fuller & Co., of Portland, came down on last night's train.

P. Benjamin of the "Rudolph and Adolph" company was in the city yesterday, the guest of L. E. Sellg.

From eastern and San Francisco trade journals comes the report that the Columbia river Chinook salmon are nearly all sold, and stocks are very low. This indicates a good season for the Columbia river and an increased demand for the products. Already arrangements are being made by the local canneries and increased facilities added. If the run is as good as anticipated 1905 will be the banner year on the Columbia.

Pacific lodge No. 58, D. of H. gave the first of a series of entertainments last night that was well attended. Splendid music was furnished by the C. C. orchestra. The evening was spent in dancing, card playing and other amusements. A bountiful lunch was served by the ladies. Mr. Coe photographed the table and guests.

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insupportable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was marvelous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Chas. Rogers, druggist."

Like Good Boys.

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 9.—The Idaho presidential electors met today and cast their votes for Roosevelt and Fairbanks.

Russian Loss Heavy.

Tokio, Jan. 9 (Noon).—It is believed that the Russian casualties at Port Arthur will total 25,000.

Wounded Arrive.

Nagasaki, Jan. 9 (Noon).—One thousand wounded Russian prisoners of war from Port Arthur have arrived at Dairei hospital.

THE MORNING ASTORIAN, ASTORIA, OREGON.

A NEW

STRAIN

Of Music But the Same Old Song

CHAPTER I.

Ah me, but things do change. Less than four months ago the Astoria clothing merchants had a fit and said what a deucedly unpolite fellow this Paul Strain was because the poor man claimed to be selling **CLOTHING** at $\frac{1}{2}$ Price. 'Twas no such thing, they all said, he sells nothing but Trash, etc., etc., and it was true—a pity 'twas, it was true. Yet people would bite, and if they got bit in turn, whose fault was it?

CHAPTER II.

As is customary at this time of year, every reputable store has a

Genuine Clearance Sale!

and the only way a sale can be conducted on the square is to take off a reasonable discount from regular prices, except when an article is damaged or entirely out of style, when such article is offered at any old price.

But the STRAIN poison had taken root among some of our otherwise conservative clothing merchants, and they are making claims which are unreasonable and STRAINED; hence my fight on HUMBUGS.

CHAPTER III.

If it was wrong for Paul Strain to introduce lower Third street methods in Astoria, it is just as wrong for Astoria clothiers to hire lower Third street advertisers from Portland, who introduce "fake" ideas under a new mask.

You, gentlemen, yourselves proposed that we conduct this year's SALE on a reasonable and fair basis; but you didn't mean it—hence my fight on SHAM.

CHAPTER IV.

Now since you've been caught at this trick you must expect a CLOTHING WAR!

That Portland professional advertiser can't save you; he is a good enough man, but he does not know the Astoria people as I do, who have lived 25 years among them. He simply puts on a new mask on old foggy, fake ideas, worn out 20 years ago. I guess you will acknowledge by and by that HERMAN WISE is The Champion Clothing Advertiser of Oregon.

Just a Few Prices

TO KEEP 'EM BUSY

20 Per Cent Off SUITS
All MENS' and BOYS'

Not on just a few old styles, but I say on ALL, ALL Suits 20 per cent off; the very cream of the best factories.

25 PER CENT OFF OVERCOATS
ALL

Not on just a few old styles, but I say on ALL, ALL Overcoats, 25 per cent off. These coats are this year's goods.

Special Reductions.

On Underwear, Overshirts, Ties, Trunks, Suit Cases and Rain Coats

HERMAN WISE

THE RELIABLE CLOTHIER AND HATTER

For pure drugs, and prescriptions compounded by a manufacturing chemist go to Dr. C. E. Linton's drug store, 1496 Franklin avenue. A complete stock of everything pertaining to a drug store is carried.

The Grotto will supply patrons with delicious Tom and Jerry every day. The superior quality of goods which has made the Grotto popular, will be supplied.

Sickening Shivering Fits of Ague and Malaria, can be relieved and cured with Electric Bitters. This is a pure, tonic medicine; of especial benefit in malaria, for it exerts a true curative influence on the disease, driving it entirely out of the system. It is much to be preferred to Quinine, having none of this drug's bad after-effects. S. Munday of Henrietta, Tex., writes: "My brother was very low with malarial fever and jaundice, till he took Electric Bitters, which saved his life. At Chas. Rogers' drug store; price 50c, guaranteed."

CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT.

Reopened Under New Management. John Blasich has leased the California Restaurant and Oyster House and is now prepared to serve the public. The best oysters and meals in the

city. Family trade supplied. Good cooks, polite waiters and prompt service.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad's New Through Service.

Effective November 27th, 1904, and thereafter, a new daily train will be inaugurated, leaving Grand Central passenger station, Chicago, at 10:30 p. m., for Akron, Cleveland, Youngstown, Pittsburg and intermediate points, connecting at Pittsburg with "Duquesne Limited" for Philadelphia and New York, and with train No. 10 for Washington, D. C., and Baltimore. This train will be equipped with first-class day coaches, Pullman sleepers and dining car service.

On all through tickets stop-over will be allowed at Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia, not to exceed 10 days at each place.

For further particulars address, Peter Harvey, General Agent, Room 1, Hobart Bldg., San Francisco. D. B. Martin, Manager Passenger Traffic Baltimore, Md. B. N. Austin, General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

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